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President: Edgar Brown, N6OU * Vice President: John Swancara, WA6LOD * Secretary: Bill Kendrick, WK6V * Treasurer: Robert Edwards, N6BIC * Directors: Red Stillman, W6AE * Hugh Allen, W6MFC * Tex Myers, N6AHV * Contest / Membership: Bill Kendrick, WK6V * Awards: Chris Williams , KG6AR * Repeater: Jim Denneny, K7EG * Bulletin Editor: Don Minkoff, NK6A *

SCDXC Repeater 145.48 MHz. Trans - 600 * DX NET: Thursday, 7:30 PM

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FEBRUARY MINUTES Cont'd

N6OU continued with the repeater discussion. Several alternatives were mentioned including a free site but with a provision of turning over the repeater once a week for public service.

WA6LOD gave a report on the recent jamming on our repeater. John gave a report of signal strengths in various locations and a summary of what to do when this problem happens.

Don, N6IC, gave a report on the Convention. There are over 100 pre-registered at this time, which is good for this time of year. If you work DXers who plan to come to Visalia, have them send a card to Don. They won't have to send money at this time. The Convention hotel is already filled.

W6VZZ reported that VK5QX and his XYL will be visiting the Southland. Anyone interested in meeting for lunch should contact Bill.

The raffle was held and the winners were: W6NNV, NZ6N, N6OU, W6EL, W6GC, W6AE, WA6ZCQ, NS6B, WA6QCO, K5KT, WK6V, and W6VZZ.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

JANUARY 28 BOARD MEETING UPDATES

The newly elected officers and Board of Directors met in Sylmar at 7:30 PM. Everyone was present. K7EG was introduced as our new Repeater Chairman. A proposed budget was submitted by Edgar and each item was gone over. A vote was taken by secret ballot for DXer of the year. Expenses are going up and so is postage. A new repeater site and fees for the Forest Service and site rental will cost the club more money in years to come. Membership is down and so is the income of the club. The Board voted to raise the dues, effective Jan. 1989, to $20. The membership will still have to vote on this proposal in two months.

The Convention was discussed. Dan Davitt, Convention Chairman has resigned. Frank, W6AOA, will assume most of his duties.

Jim, K7EG, gave us an update on the new repeater site and explained about the additional equipment we will need to buy to get on the air. The Yaesu repeater has
been repaired for a little over a hundred dollars. The antenna is already installed. The Forest Service permit will be filled out and turned in with our check. Jim was handed a check for $500 to cover all the expenses needed to have us on the air from the new site in about two weeks. We will need to buy our own amplifier soon.

A copy of the constitution was handed out for review by the Board. Updates will be turned in at the next meeting, and a new revised constitution should be available to vote on later this year.

Bill discussed the ARRL DX Contest for February and March. Information and logs will be available at the next meeting.

The Board meeting ended at 10 PM.

GRIPES AND GROANS

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the club members that voted ? me into the Vice President position for this coming year. It takes more than an elected slate to make the whole club work, so hope that Edgar, I and the rest of the slate get the same support from the entire membership.

Just an observation from the last few meetings. Where are all of the members? When was the last time you invited a prospective new or old member to a meeting? Try it, we might all like it!

I will make every effort to obtain interesting speakers (and door prizes) early enough so that everyone will know what to expect ahead of time.

--... ...-- WA6LOD

MEMBERSHIP CORNER by Bill Kendrick, WK6V

I would like to wish everyone a belated happy New Year and hope that this year would bring to all of us a greater tolerance, understanding, and lots of rare ones.

Just a reminder that the 1988 membership dues are now due. Please submit the dues with any roster updates, with the form found elsewhere in this issue, to my address before March 1. Bill Kendrick, WK6V, 1677 W. 256th St., Harbor City, CA 90710. This will ensure that the roster corrections will be recorded. I have been making an effort for the past few years to ensure the roster accurately represents the paid members.

Another subject that has been at the forefront of my mind is the various explanations I have received from the grapevine regarding why some of the membership have become inactive in the club. Rumor has it that some of the former membership have left because of dissatisfaction with some attribute of the club or direction we have taken over the past few years. If you have some complaint to tender, I am very interested in hearing from you. Every organization needs the contribution of its membership to function. What causes the demise of most clubs is either apathy or discontent. The Amateur community has been diminishing. We should resolve our differences and work toward common goals and interests to maintain the privileges we already posses as Hams and to promote growth among the ranks. Finally, I would like to emphasize that the club is comprised of individuals and, for this reason, actions of an individual member or members of the club should not be interpreted as club policy even if club officers are involved. Please don't throw in the towel. Stick around and contribute. You're valuable to the group.

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CONTEST CORNER

The deadline for the submissions for the Clipperton and W6AM awards is upon us. Any submissions should be sent to me, WK6V. The information for these awards has been posted in previous issues of the Bulletin and is available at the meetings. If you need the information sooner than the next meeting, please call me at either number in the roster and I will forward the rules to you.

MONTHLY CONTEST

Don't forget the monthly activity contest! Several months last year were vacant with no submission. This is an easy shot for a certificate and you keep the repeater activity up. Only one submission for January and Dan, N6CGB, is our man. Thanks for hanging in there.

ARRL DX CONTEST

CW: Feb. 20 - 21
Phone: Mar. 5 - 6

We are planning to put on another all out effort towards this contest. As all of you are aware, the results posted in QST for last years contest indicated that we had lost to the NCDXC by some 60,000 points. This is the equivalent to a submission by a contest newcomer for only one of two modes. It is most evident that even the most meager score can change the outcome. Don't feel that you have nothing to offer. This is a club effort. We need your support. The effort and team work that was put forth last year really gave me a feeling of belonging to a club. Let's have a repeat performance. In fact, let's take them by a million margin. That's only 8 more submissions of 62,500 points in each mode! I am sure that this year they will be in hot pursuit and, in the words of Admiral Yamamoto, we have awakened the sleeping lion.

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If you are interested in the club submission, we need to know in advance. Please call me or write prior to the contest. I need to know what mode and where you will be operating. The requirements for club competition in the January QST indicate that you must have attended two meetings in the past year or if you are a new member, at least one meeting as a member prior to the contest. The club secretary must submit a list of the entrants from the club and which of the three club competition levels we wish to enter by deadline. We also would like to place some operators in the club who do not have a station set up into guest stations or multi-operator stations. If you are willing to host a guest operator, a multi-operator effort or if you would like to join a multi-operator crew or run a guest station, get a hold of me (WK6V) or Red, W6AE, ASAP. We need to finalize the effort within the next two weeks.

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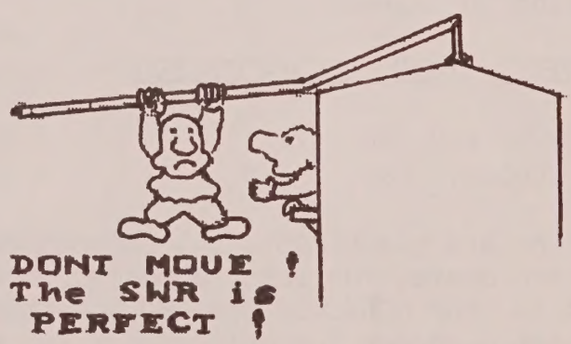
SØRASD - ON THE AIR ! **WILL IT BE A NEW ONE ?**

Looks like We may have a new country to nail down into the log books for DXCC. The Western Sahara has been very active on 20 and 15 meters, with a list operation, most mornings. I worked it on the following Frequencies : 14.205 mhz. at 16:36 gmt, 30th of Dec. also, 21.239MHZ. at 16:20 GMT. 10TH OF Dec. Operators' name is NAMA, with QSL cards thru EA2JG . For the many ops that worked it and were asking " WHERE the H--- is it?, The small map included will be considered the geography lesson for the month. HI! --WA6LOD .... ..

Just a reminder to all of the repeater monitors:
When some creep comes on the machine with his 4 letter words, **PLEASE !** DO NOT tell him to shut up , get off the air, or other expletetives. This just goads them on. Listen to the **input frequency** of the repeater, and if you hear him (them) , report their signal strength in your area and your call sign. Then just monitor and record time and comments in your log for future reference. (voice type, names, unique signal such as high alternator wine, etc:) Tape record with comments if possible.date/time/freq/input or output, etc: .**They will eventually get their just rewards.** PATIENCE ! From the pen of the Lazy Old Dog .....



PROPOSED BUDGET 1988

	1987	Cost/Member	Proposed 1988
INCOME			
200 Memberships X $12.00	$2508		$2400
6 Subscriptions X $6.00	$36		
Interest	$91		
EXPENSES			
* Bulletin printing and postage	$1894	$9.47	$1900
* Proposed postage increase			
* P.O. Box rental			
* Raffle	$76	$0.38	
* Awards @ DX Convention	$808	$4.04	$808
Roster printing	$392	$1.96	
* Meeting place @ $25/meeting	$225	$1.13	$225
* Christmas Banquet Deposit	$100	$0.50	$100
* Miscellaneous Expenses	$414	$2.07	$414
Total Operating Expenses		$19.58	$3839
Repeater ($1500 previously authorized for site relocation)			
* Repair exist repeater(est)			$200
* Forest Service Permit			$100
* Site Rental @ $50/month			$600
* Purchase Circulator (est)			$250
* Purchase 6 Ft. Motorola Cabinet (est)			$100
Subtotal Repeater		$6.25	$1250
Purchase 100 Watt Amp(est)			$330
Repair/replace backup rcvr(est)			$400
Total Repeater		$9.90	$1980

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For Sale: 2AT W/PL, 3 AT, BP5, BP8, BC-5, plus other accessories. $375 all or make offer. Al Christopherson, WB0QPO - 818/ 782-5617

For Sale: ICOM IC-730 w/CW/SSB filters. $435. ICOM IC-730 w/CW filter. $425. ICOM SM-5 desk mic w/ Heil element. $25. ICOM PS-15 power supply - $75. Datong ASP RF Speech Processor - $50. Datong FL-2 Audio Filter w/notch/peak/slope - $75. All with factory manuals and sheets, cartons. Mint condition. One owner (non-smoker). Call after Feb. 15. Ned Jacoby, NG6W - 714/ 631-6686

FCC MOVES

Effective Monday January 11, the FCC's Long Beach office has been relocated. The new address is:

Federal Communications Commission
Cerritos Corporate Tower
18000 Studebaker Road
Cerritos, CA 90701
213 426-4451

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FIRST CLASS MAIL

Contributors this month include WK6V, WA6LOD, N6OU, W6MFC, and Sheila my XYL.

The deadline for the March issue of the Bulletin is February 26, 1988.

Contributions to the Bulletin can be sent via modem at 1200 baud in X-Modem or ASCII. Typed, double spaced contributions are also welcome. Help is always needed for the assembly and mailing of your Bulletin.

ROSTER INFORMATION

___ The information in the 1987 roster is correct.

___ The information in the 1987 roster requires the following update.

Name: _____

Call: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ **Zip:** _____

Work Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

1987 Rosters are still available to members. Please send a 6 X 9 SASE with 56 cents to me and I will return it same day.